FISCAL NOTE

SB 2804 - HB 2897

January 25, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Department of Education to establish a grant system for the development and implementation of differentiated pay plans for retention and hiring of teachers by local education agencies (LEA). Requires a BEP program funding target split of 75% state expenditures and 25% local expenditures.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$750,000

Increase Local Gov't. Expenditures - \$250,000/Permissive

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Education (DOE) and the Comptroller, LEAs have the option of participating in this program, therefore local expenditures would be permissive.
- Though a specific funding amount has not been set, DOE assumes that \$750,000 would be appropriated. If the target split of 75% and 25% were met, the state expenditure would be \$750,000 and the local match would be \$250,000.
- Under the current BEP formula for funding classroom components, 30% comes from LEAs and 70% comes from the state.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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